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Application No.: 09/831,149) Examiner: Unassigned
National Stage Entered: May 7, 2001)
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Sir:

REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF
THE PRIORITY DOCUMENT

Applicants respectfully request that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("PTO") acknowledge, or in the alternative, request from the International Bureau, a copy of Applicants' priority document, EP 98203871.3, filed on December 23, 1999.

In the *Notification of Acceptance of Application under 35 U.S.C. 371 and 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495*, mailed on September 14, 2001, the PTO did not check the box acknowledging receipt of Applicants' priority document. Applicants have submitted their priority document to the International Bureau, as shown on the *Notification Concerning Submission or Transmittal of Priority Document* mailed by the International Bureau on January 18, 2001. If the PTO has received the priority document, Applicants request

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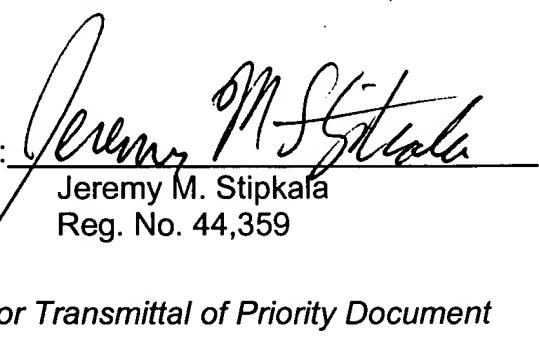
If there are any fees due for the entry of this Request, please charge them to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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